State of Washington Office of Insurance Commissioner

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Task Force Meeting Agenda

January 7, 2004, 1:30p.m. – 4:30p.m.

Office of Insurance Commissioner, 5000 Capitol Boulevard, Tumwater, WA 98501 Training Room

1:30 COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS AND REVIEW AGENDA

Commissioner Kreidler

1:50 UPDATE ANALYSIS ON REINSURANCE AND RECAPTURE

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New results from including the individual market in the analysis will be presented for discussion. The Washington State Health Insurance Pool, the "high risk" pool for the individual health insurance market, is retained and will operate as it does now. The reinsurance threshold of \$25,000 will be applied to the individual market but not to the health services provided in the high risk pool. Recaptured savings will provide premium assistance for high risk pool enrollees.

The analysis now includes the potential cost of providing case management for the patients within the reinsurance system.

2:45 Break

3:00 DISCUSSION OF OTHER INSURANCE ISSUES

Commissioner Kreidler

- 1. Changing the small employer group size from 1-50 to 2-50 employees
- 2. Using the HIPAA standard for guaranteed renewability
- 3. Revising the statute on economy plans to attract and retain small employer groups

3:30 COMMISSIONER'S NEXT STEPS

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4:10 OPEN MICROPHONE

4:25 WRAP UP